

ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

An apparatus and method for playing an optical disk. The apparatus includes a first storage, a second storage, and a controller. The first storage stores a predetermined audio stream read out from an optical disk. The second storage stores still picture information corresponding to the audio stream. The controller outputs a still picture stored in the second storage, during an audio stream, corresponding to the still picture stored in the first storage, and, when index information of a target still picture is received from a user, compares the received index information with a maximum number of indexes included in a predetermined track of the optical disk currently playing and outputs a storage control signal based on the comparison result so that the second and first storages can store the index information of the target still picture and an audio stream, corresponding to the index information of the target still picture, respectively.